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Art Unit 1638

Mail Stop RCE

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/670,454; Filed: September 26, 2003
For: **Gibberellin 2-Oxidase**
Inventors: THOMAS *et al.*
Our Ref: 0623.0970001/MAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
2. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$1,620.00 to cover:

\$ 790.00	Request for continued examination;
\$ 120.00	Extension of time for one month;
\$ 350.00	Excess claims fee; and
\$ 360.00	Multiple dependent claims fee.
3. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
4. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/30);
5. Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181, with exhibits 1, 2, and 3;
6. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Which Accompanies the Filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE); and
7. Return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity
50	25
200	100
360	180

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
31	- 20 or HP 24	7	x \$50.00 = \$350.00	360

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